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HOME POLITICS.

Chancellor on Foreign Policy.

NO SPLIT IN THE CABINET.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

Bombay, Feb. 4, 7.55 a.m.
Mr. Lloyd George in a speech in London yesterday made an important statement regarding Foreign policy. He emphasised the fact that Britain was never better able to face an emergency than at present (cheers). He dwelt on the growth of armaments and pointed out that economy was impossible until international envies, jealousies, and fears were removed.

A PERILOUS POSITION.

This was the most advantageous moment to consider the subject. Recent events had made the nation realise the perilous position in Europe. He believed it was in the interests of France, Germany, Russia and Britain that there should be a better understanding between these nations. (Loud cheers.) Money saved by the reduction of armaments could be used most profitably to improve the lot of the people. (Applause).

HOME AFFAIRS.

Bombay, Feb. 4, 7.45 a.m.

Speaking on Home affairs the Chancellor said that the city possessed rather a chilly atmosphere for Liberalism, but he trusted that by the next general election, they would get rid of the refractory influence of the plural voter. He denied that there was a split in the Cabinet or between Mr. Asquith and himself. None of the members of the Cabinet know of such a split, which must have happened while they were all asleep.

FOURTEEN TO SIX.

He considered the Unionist were premature in making a fuss about a few by-elections, because they were a long way from a general election. He pointed out that there had been twenty seats contested since the introduction of the Insurance Bill, and that the Liberals had won fourteen. That did not look as if the country was going against the Government.

ABLE BUT INACCURATE.

Judging by Mr. Bonar Law's speech, the Unionists were no longer going to suffer from too much intellect. Mr. Bonar Law was an able man, but the most inaccurate dialectician who had sat on any front bench. His statement that our weapons were inferior was untrue, his palpable and gross mis-statements on finance without parallel, and his allegation that the annual expenditure had increased by forty millions should be something like 20 millions. On that matter the Opposition had the right to cry "shame," as the increase in Navy expenditure was £7,760,000 Post Office, £5,250,000, and Education, £3,600,000, to consider the subject.

TELEGRAMS.

HOME POLITICS.

A PERILOUS POSITION.

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The Chancellor proceeded to say that only one-thirtieth of the increase had gone in the creation of new offices, while the charges of political corruption were absolutely untrue. At present there were no examinations applicable to the functions created but there would be special examinations in the future. He had made inquiries and had found that most of the officials appointed were Unionists. He emphasised the fact that the 1900 Budget was a complete success.

AN AMATEUR DREAM.

He believed that with Conservative finance, there would have been ten times as many Socialists in Britain, since the one way to create extreme Socialism was to decline to treat the masses sympathetically. It was true that all Government securities in Europe had fallen, but it was only an amateur who could dream of attributing it to the Budget.

CONFUSING THE ISSUE.

It was a matter for grave consideration, but the claptrap talked at the Albert Hall merely confused the issue. He affirmed that the reasons for the decline of Consols were non-political; but it needed judicial and impartial examination. To say that British credit was gone was not only unpatriotic, but utterly untrue.

BRITAIN READY.

London, Feb. 3, 3.5 p.m.

Mr. Lloyd George, in his speech at the City Liberal Club, declared in clear and emphatic terms, in referring to foreign affairs, that there was never a time in the history of the country when it was better prepared to face any emergency. (Cheers). If they wanted to effect economy in finance they must arrest the growth of armaments.

Until international envies and jealousies and fears were removed the growth of armaments would never be arrested. He asserted that this was an advantageous moment to consider the subject.

TELEGRAMS.

THE REVOLUTION.

TOWARDS A REPUBLIC.

[Our Own Correspondent]

Shanghai, Feb. 5, 8.35 a.m.

An unpublished edict from the Dowager-Empress has instructed Yuan Shih-kai to establish a republic in conjunction with the southern republicans.

Yuan is endeavouring to persuade the Nanking Government to hand over the control of the whole of China, pending the Convention and the appointment of a permanent Cabinet.

TRAIN WRECKED.

The destruction of a dynamite pillar supporting a bridge over the river at Shantung has wrecked the Mukden ordinary train. Nine Chinese were killed.

IMPERIALIST SECESSIONS.

Shanghai, Feb. 4.
The Imperialists stationed at Wong-fai and Hawkum have joined the Republican cause and are to march on Peking.

YUAN'S REPRIMAND.
H.E. Yuan Shih-kai has strongly reprimanded General Chang Hsun for having commenced hostilities without his consent. Fighting has now been suspended all round.

EMPEROR'S TITLE.

H.E. Yuan has communicated with the Republican Government asking for an annual grant of five million taels for supplies for the Bannerman and eunuch. Another stipulation that he makes is that the Manchu Emperor shall be allowed to retain his title in connection with all religious observances, but will not be permitted to take any part in the administration of Government.—"Shat Po."

MORE CONFERENCE.

H.E. Yuan Shih-kai has telephoned to Dr. Wu Ting-fang asking him to proceed to Peking to confer as to the formation of a provisional form of government.

PRINCES FREE.

The Imperial Clan Society has dissolved. Prince Tsai-Tsun has fled to Tientsin and Prince Tai-To and Po Wai have made good their escape to Jehol.

A CAUTIOUS VICEROY.

Chiu Erh-hsun, Viceroy of the Three Eastern Provinces, has telephoned to Chan Kwai-lung, Viceroy of Chihli, to the effect that he is in favour of resuming hostilities, and asking if he will join in a memorial to the Throne petitioning that they be allowed to do so. Chan Kwai-lung has replied that he prefers to await the decision of the Throne.—"Shing Po."

TELEGRAMS.

ESPIONAGE CASE.

"I AM INNOCENT."

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

Bombay, Feb. 5, 1.10 a.m.

Stewart has been sentenced to imprisonment in a fortress. When sentenced he said, "I am innocent and I wish everyone in England to know it."

The chief witness for the prosecution was a Belgian who acted as interpreter to Stewart while he was touring Germany and who denounced him to the police.

The defence brought evidence to prove that the Belgian was an ex-convict.—Reuter.

FOUND GUILTY.

London, Feb. 4, 7.50 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent of Leipzig states that Stewart, the Yeomanary officer charged with espionage, has been found guilty and sentenced to imprisonment for three years and six months.—Reuter.

WAR OFFICE ORDERS.

London, Feb. 3, 3.25 a.m.

The War Office has issued elaborate and stringent orders which provide that British officers travelling in Germany must report themselves everywhere to the authorities.—Reuter.

REGIMENT OF AIRMEN.

PROGRESSIVE FRANCE.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

London, Feb. 3, 1.55 p.m.

Reuter's Paris correspondent says M. Millerand has introduced Bills providing £920,000 sterling for aviation and the establishment of an aeronautic regiment.—Reuter.

LABOUR TROUBLES.

A DEADLOCK.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

London, Feb. 3, 1.55 p.m.

The employers have refused to accede to the cotton weavers' demand for an increase in wages until the non-unionist disorders have ceased. The operatives have declined to accept the reason given.—Reuter.

RUGBY.

SCOTLAND LOSE.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

London, Feb. 4, 7.50 a.m.

The Rome correspondent of Reuter telegraphs that the Italians had four killed during the attacks on Benghazi on January 30, which were repulsed. It is officially stated that the war has hitherto cost £5,500,000 sterling. It is not intended to raise a loan, though the cost of the war is £4,500,000.

TELEGRAMS.

DEAD DUKE.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

London, Feb. 4, 7.50 a.m.

The Cairo correspondent of Reuter states that a memorial service for the Duke of Fife was held at the Church of All Saints. Lord Kitchener, ministers, diplomats, military and civil officials and the majority of the British Colony attended. The service was most impressive. The pipers of the Scots Guards played a lament.—Reuter.

NATIONALITY LAW.

GERMAN ACTION.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

London, Feb. 4, 3.55 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Berlin reports that the Federal Council has adopted the draft of the new Nationality Law which abolishes the provision whereby a German loses his nationality after ten years of uninterrupted residence abroad.

MILITARY SERVICE LAW.

The Council also adopted the Bill

to amend the Military Service Law, which provides that overseas Germans can, under certain circumstances, be relieved of the obligation of active service. Other provisions facilitate the resumption of German nationality.

TRIPOLI WAR.

A GOAT KILLED.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

London, Feb. 3, 1.55 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Hodedah reports that on January 27 the Italians bombarded Fort Libana. The effect of 150 shells was to set fire to two tents and kill one goat.—Reuter.

COST OF THE WAR.

London, Feb. 3, 3.25 a.m.

The Rome correspondent of Reuter telegraphs that the Italians had four killed during the attacks on Benghazi on January 30, which were repulsed. The Rugby international match between Wales and Scotland at Swansea resulted in a win for Wales by 21 points to six.—Reuter.

TELEGRAMS.

NAVAL DISASTER.

ROYAL SYMPATHY.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

London, Feb. 3, 1.55 p.m.

The A 13 is located in six fathoms of water. The Admiralty has received messages of sympathy from the King and Kaiser. The King says: "I am greatly shocked and distressed to hear of the terrible accident. Please convey my deep sympathy to the families of those who, alas, lost their lives in the lamentable disaster." The Kaiser says: "I wish to express my heartfelt sympathy with the relatives of the brave men who perished on the terrible occasion."—Reuter.

POOR SALVAGE FACILITIES.

London, Feb. 3, 3.25 a.m.

The papers comment on the Admiralty's lack of salvage facilities, which contrast unfavourably with those of Germany.—Reuter.

COST OF LIVING.

TAFT'S MESSAGE.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

London, Feb. 3, 3.50 a.m.

President Taft, in a message to the United States Congress, asks for funds to enable him to summon an International Conference to consider the cost of living.—Reuter.

HOME RULE.

BELFAST ARMING.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

London, Feb. 3, 3.50 a.m.

The "Morning Post" predicts that there will be thirty thousand men armed with revolvers and clubs at Belfast on February 8. Sir Edward Carson, speaking in London, said he hoped Mr. Churchill's visit to Belfast would be peaceful, since he had decided to pursue Nationalist aspirations in a Nationalist quarter. Mr. J. M. Robertson, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, who is regarded as an authority on fiscal matters, stated in a speech delivered in London that the vital problem in connection with Home Rule was the claim for fiscal autonomy, which would mean separation. It would be hopeless to attempt to carry such a Bill.—Reuter.

TROOPS TO ASSIST POLICE.

London, Feb. 4, 3.55 a.m.

Five thousand troops will assist the police in guarding the route to Mr. Churchill's meeting and in intercepting the streets of Belfast on the 8th inst.—Reuter.

M.C.C. IN AUSTRALIA.

TWO CENTURIES.

[Service to the "Telegraph"]

London, Feb. 3, 8.30 p.m.

The match between the M.C.C. and Victoria was resumed in tropical weather, the heat wave continuing. There were 4,500 spectators. The wicket was in excellent condition. M.C.C. totalled 457. Hearn made 143 by admirable cricket, and Douglas, who scored 140, was sound slow. Victoria fared

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Hongkong, 24th January, 1912.

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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Monghou, 3rd Feb., 1912. [14]

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1912.

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South China Morning Post.

Hongkong's Theatre.

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Externally it has no pretensions at all; internally it is, as, say,

more. Its many defects are being made more apparent than ever during the present season of the Lang-Holloway company.

How badly Hongkong compares in this respect with other cities in the East. Saigon has the best

and brightest amusement palace of all; Singapore has a fine modern building.

Shanghai is well provided for. Yet in Hong-

kong, which boasts of its beautiful structures, and claims to lead the way in the architecture of the Orient, there is only a theatre which would be a disgrace

OUR LONDON LETTER.

THE GREAT BILLIARD MATCH.

As the cable has already advised you the first of three test matches, for £500 a side, arranged between Gray, the youthful Australian, and Stevenson, the veteran English champion, was concluded yesterday in favour of the young Colonial by 630 points. Considerable interest is taken in this match and that for various reasons. The convenience of the general public has been well studied by the promoters in arranging that one of the tests should be held in Liverpool so as to afford Northerners, who take an interest in the noblest of indoor sports, to witness the contest of two professionals who stand out so conspicuously as the best exponents of the game. In London that interest has been markedly shown by the crowd of enthusiastic spectators who filled the Holborn Hall twice daily, at an admission charge ranging from 4 to 10 shillings per head. It was generally conceded that Stevenson with his master-judgment, wider knowledge and perfection of touch is far and away the more scientific player, but the phenomenal scoring of Gray at his favourite stroke into the middle pocket off the red ball, brought it within the range of a sporting possibility that the contest would not be altogether one-sided or a dead certainty for the English champion.

Billiards in a Place of Worship.
The Holborn Hall, familiar perhaps to many of your readers, has seating capacity for several hundred spectators. It is at present owned, fitted and used as a place of worship by the Primitive Methodist Society, whose extensive printing and publishing house fills the remainder of the large building. At one end of the hall is the organ and the preacher's platform whereon the Press representatives reported the progress of the game. With the main lights turned off and the side lights duly shaded the grim non-conformist organ seemed to frown upon the vivid patch of green baize forming the brilliant centre of the room, with the simulated approval of a tired tolerance. For to the earnest old-time sectary Billiards is still catalogued with beer and beastliness, or with drink, dance and the devil. The dramatic effect of the scene was thus heightened by the suggested parallel between the friendly contest of the two playboys, and the silent conflict between the presiding genius of the temple and the spirit of an intruding worldliness.

In the gloomy haze of the darkened room, rendered darker by the dense cloud of tobacco smoke, the indistinct forms and faces of the onlookers were accentuated by points of light as one and another flicked off the ash from cigarette or cigar, while the occasional flash of an ignited match and its embers with the prevailing gloom betokened the varying fortunes in the age-old story of the struggle between Light and Darkness.

The Actual and the Ideal.

If required no stretch of fancy to picture Gray, with his perfectly manipulated, one thoroughly mastered stroke, as the embodiment of the spirit of the actual, the limited; whereas Stevenson, on the other hand, with his comprehensive command of the cue, his scientific mastery of the game and the surprising extent of his resourcefulness in

seemingly impossible difficulties, aptly illustrates the ideal. The unknown has always had its votaries. There is something beyond the veil of ascertained truth which fascinates the enquiring mind and urges it to investigate the hidden mystery; while, at the same time, it engenders a feeling of fear lest the guest may disclose a malevolent activity. The spirit of the temple has, for the most part, been satisfied to remain quiescent in the fancied possession of a full revelation of ascertainable truth, to which nothing can be added and from which nothing may be subtracted without impairment. It is thus content to remain in the realm of the actual. But the advancing sun of scientific investigation has thrown a new and helpful light on orthodoxy has disclosed large untraversed vistas of inspired thought, not yet formulated into religious dogmas, by the adventurous souls concerned in its discovery.

The Men Described.

The young Australian is a little above the medium height, spare of form, with a thin face and pleasant though sharp features; his wrists and arms give no indication of muscular power, but his hands—with their long tapering fingers denote the artistic temperament and indicate that latent refinement of touch whereby he is able to perform his phenomenal repetitions. Stevenson, on the other hand, stands below the medium height, is well knit, but neither in face nor form betokens the superstitious. Assiduous practice combined with scientific study and that congenital aptitude, without which no one excels at anything, have gone to make him the leading exponent of English billiards. Gray gives the impression of an animated machine turning out one particular thing with the automatic precision of mathematical exactitude. Despite this, however, the interest in his performance never flagged, for it was kept alive by the expectation that his single stroke break might at any period of the game exceed the marvellous record he has already established. In this respect the match was a disappointment. For whatever the reason, whether the inelasticity of Bonzoline balls, or otherwise, Gray never scored more than 300 in any single break.

Gray's Marvellous Touch

But while Gray's play appears to be monotonously mechanical the intelligent amateur learns to appreciate and wonder at the marvellous touch of the youth and at the perfect subordination of hand to mind involved in the manifold repetitions of the same muscular action in producing precisely the same delicate result. Stevenson's play also fell below his recorded performance. He never rose to the height of his scoring power. His largest break fell below 600, though at times he gave glimpses of his superb all round play at the top of the table, he unaccountably failed to take advantage of openings frequently left him by his opponent. More than once he seemed to suggest that, if he so chose, he could beat Gray at his own stroke—the loser into the side pocket off the red.

But the spirit of the game dominates the man and allures him to the top of the table, where he can indulge himself in the true joy of sport and hold his admirers entranced at the versatility of his genius. Gray's tactical display of the actual won for him the first of the three test matches, but the memory of the contest will conjure up brilliant recollections of Stevenson's approximation to the ideal of a scientific exposition long after the figures of the score have faded away.

Hatt Melvin,
London, Dec. 20, 1911.

THE OLD BOY.

Why is it that, with few exceptions we so nimbly avoid those with whom we were at school? It is not that our love for that shrine of learning has diminished. We may still be seen searching the sporting papers for the result of the big match, and the announcement that Jones of the Old School has won an eighty pound scholarship at the University still gives us a thrill of satisfaction. But we are bound to say that those who were our acquaintances and even friends at school no longer occupy that place. The mere sight of the now whiskered face of Robinson tertius, our one-time colleague in many a rag, is sufficient to send us whizzing up a side-street; or, if escape be impossible, we converse with him awkwardly and with difficulty. We suppose it must be the removal of the motive which linked our life at one time with Robinson tertius which causes this. In the old days there were a hundred absorbing subjects on which to chat with him. Nowadays these subjects can only be approached interrogatively ("Do you remember when?"), and this becomes tedious. We have, in fact, lost touch with Robinson tertius. This is the reason why Old Boys' Dinners are sometimes rather dreary affairs. One feels that one ought to be on instant terms of jocular camaraderie with one's neighbours, and one's inability to achieve this makes one awkward.—*The "Globe."*

PERFECTION.

Consciously or unconsciously, we are all striving after perfection. The only distinction between us is that since our several ideals of what constitutes the Perfect Man differ so widely, our conduct must of necessity vary accordingly. The gentleman who relieves you of your watch and chain in a crowd is aiming to be the Perfect Pickpocket. An understandable, if ignoble, ambition. The burly individual in blue, on the other hand, who chases the pickpocket, is assumed with ardour to become the Perfect Policeman. And so on. Each of us, in our humble fashion, is trying to achieve Perfection.

But few indeed are those who attain it. Napoleon could not win all his battles, nor does Mr. C. B. Fry make a century every time he goes to the wicket. Even Homer nods, and we cannot always be laughing at Mr. Bernard Shaw. Yet we, of this age at least, can point with pride to two types of whom it may be said that their perfection can go no further. We refer to the Perfect Gentleman and the Perfect Fool. Both these individuals deserve our respect and reverence, yet of the two, perhaps the former is more entitled to our whole-hearted admiration. After all, it is not every one who can become the Perfect Gentleman, whereas it is not so difficult for people adequately treated by Nature in the matter of brains to develop into Perfect Fools. For instance, take the present—but no, we must not enter into a political discussion.

—*The "Globe."*

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Hatt Melvin,

London, Dec. 20, 1911.

THE FIRE SEASON.

Military Arrangements.

The instructions to police officers issued by the military authorities with regard to calling on troops to assist in the suppression of fire are as follow:

If the assistance of the troops is required in order to aid the Police and Fire Brigade in suppressing a fire, an application will be made by the Captain Superintendent of Police or the Superintendent of the fire brigade or his representative to the Officer in charge of the fire picquet at Murray Barracks, Whitfield Barracks, or Gun Club Hill, whichever may be nearest to the scene of the fire.

The nature of the assistance required will be clearly specified in the application.

If armed troops are required to prevent crowds from getting in the way of the fire brigade (to form a cordon round the scene of the fire or to close adjacent streets to traffic, etc.), when there is no indication whatever of any breach of the peace or of any disorder or turbulence on the part of the crowds, a report of the application will be made by telephone to the private secretary for the information of the Governor.

In Case of Riot.

If there are indications of riot and disorder and troops are required to assist the police in maintaining the peace, the Captain Superintendent of police or his representative will report by telephone to the private secretary and the application will, in ordinary cases, be made by the Governor to the General Officer Commanding.

If serious rioting has already commenced or appears immediately imminent, and the Captain Superintendent of Police considers that the police force at his disposal may be overpowered, he will inform the Officer Commanding, Murray Barracks, Whitfield Barracks, or Gun Club Hill (as the case may be), of the position of affairs, and that he has informed the Governor with a view to obtaining military assistance, but he will not, unless the situation is critical, do more than this, and will leave the Officer Commanding to act at his own direction or on such orders as he may receive from higher military authority.

Ball Ammunition.

In the above cases commanding officer on the spot will fall in a company with 20 rounds of ball ammunition and await orders from the G.O.C. If, however, it should appear to the commanding officer that immediate action should be taken, he will move off at once to the scene of the riot and report the fact immediately to the G.O.C. by telephone.

In each of the above cases the field officer of the week will be notified immediately by the officer commanding in the barracks from which the picquet is detailed and will proceed at once to the scene of the fire or disturbance where he will take charge of the troops which have been turned out.

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DAY BY DAY.

We tend to become what we think we are; moreover, the world is very apt to take us at our own valuation.

To-day's Paper.
Our London Letter appears on page 3 to day. Sport will be found on page 8. Some particularly interesting telegrams are published on page 1.

Six gamblers were fined \$2.00 or five days, each, at the Magistracy, this morning.

The police report that several dead bodies have been found in the street, during the week end.

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Choi Luk was sentenced to three months imprisonment and four hours stocks, by Mr. Irving, to-day, for stealing a piece of tin.

One of the Chinese attendants of the fire engine had two of his fingers taken off by the fly-wheel on Saturday morning, whilst the brigade was busy extinguishing a fire at West Point.

At the Magistracy, to-day, Wong Chung Lu, was charged with obtaining five boxes of leather valued at \$467.00 by false pretences, from a shop in Wing Kat Street. The hearing was adjourned.

A case more of the nature of an armed robbery than actual piracy is reported from Deep Bay. According to the story several men with revolvers and knives held up a junk on Saturday and took therefrom a quantity of rice. The authorities have the matter in hand, but no arrests have been made.

For assaulting a Chinese constable a chair coolie was, at the Magistracy, to-day fined \$5 or ten days. On a second charge of acting in a disorderly manner outside the City Hall he was fined \$3 or seven days.

Twenty-six opium smokers appeared before the Magistrate to-day, and were fined \$3 or seven days each. One defendant was fined \$250 for keeping an opium den in Temple St, Yau Ma Tei. In the latter case the money was paid. Mr. Otto Kong Sing defended.

At the Magistracy this morning a man named Im Sau-ling alias Im Sau-ching, was charged with stealing jewellery and money to the extent of \$730 from a European named Alexander Joss on Dec. 19, 1909. He was also charged with leaving his master without permission. The hearing was adjourned.

In the Supreme Court this morning before Mr. Justice Gompertz Kwong Tak Cheong-chan was sued by the Wing On firm to recover \$680 for goods sold and delivered. Mr. Goldring appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Grist for the defendant, who consented to judgment for \$558.35 and costs. Judgment was entered accordingly. The same solicitors appeared in the case in which the Young Wat-kut sued H.B. Marshall for \$825.53 due on a promissory note. Defendant consented to judgment for \$850 including costs.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. At a Board meeting held to-day the Director of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. recommended that, subject to the completion of audit, a dividend of \$1 per share be paid for the half year ending December, 31, 1911.

Justice and Mercy. Mr. Irving, at Magistracy, to-day, after passing a sentence of twelve months' imprisonment on a man charged with returning from banishment, reduced it to six months, because, "since his return the man had tried to lead a good life and had not been in mischief."

The Colony's Health.

During the week ended Feb. 3 nine cases of bubonic plague were reported and eight deaths. Forty-one cases of small-pox and twenty-seven deaths were reported. Of the small-pox cases 28 were Chinese, one British and one Portuguese. The plague cases were all Chinese.

The report of Saturday's cricket is held over.

At Liverpool on the 5th instant forty-four Chinamen were charged with keeping a gaming house. One was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, two were fined \$100 each, two \$50 each, and three \$20 and the others were bound over.

Mr. F. W. Hughes, Managing Director of the Botany Wool Combining Mills, of Sydney, Australia, has been investigating labour conditions in Ceylon. His report being favourable, the company propose transferring their mills to Ceylon.

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The Rev. M. D. Rudland, a veteran missionary, of Taichowfu, Chekiang. The reverend gentleman, who was well known in missionary circles in China, spent 44 years of his life in this land. He landed with the Rev. Dr. Hudson Taylor in the first party of China Inland missionaries to reach Chanci in the year 1866. Mr. Rudland was predeceased by all the other members of this party. He was thus the last member of the C. I. M. belonging to the historic sailing ship *Lammernuir*.

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"RUSSELLISM."

The Rev. C. Bone Replies.

"As I said this morning, it was my intention at night to make some remarks on the theories heard the other night in the theatre. I was not there at the second service, I was in bed before it finished," was the preface to Pastor C. Bone's reply to Pastor Russell, at the Wesleyan Church, last night.

"I was there in the afternoon," he continued, "and I sat for an hour and twenty minutes, which for me was barely short of a miracle. I listened and as I watched the audience, as I heard the men talking and the women talking, it made me feel it my bounden duty to say something on this question. As I sat and listened to the speaker I wished I could have got by the side of him and said what was true."

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well what the result have been and will be. If an officer commanding fails to punish insubordination we know what will happen. We know that the Government must punish, and if it does not punish there will be anarchy, and fire and blood. We know that honourable and kindly men have made those laws, and we know that these laws are right, and shall we possibly say to God: "You cannot do this and you cannot do that, because it is against my feeling?" What have your feelings to do with it? Shall we stand before our Maker and say "He shall not do this, and shall not do that?"

The whole question is one of immense difficulty and one of terrible import, and I shrink when I contemplate it." Mr. Bone said that their opinions would not modify the action of the Eternal when the time of action came, and in conclusion he appealed to them to adhere to the truth, so that they might have the hand of the Saviour to admit them into heaven, bright and beautiful as the morning.

BURGLARY.

Diss Bros. Robbed.

For the second time in the space of a few weeks the premises of Messrs. Diss Bros. have been visited by burglars, who this time got away with a very substantial haul. It appears that some time during the week end the shop was broken into and goods to the value of about \$2,000 stolen. At the back of the premises there is situated a door which is covered with Messrs. Diss's side with a solid iron grill, fixed to the walls by large iron staples firmly embedded in the brickwork. The thieves, entering by a door in the side passage, came through a small room rented by other people in the building, opened a case of cigarettes and stole a good number of boxes and then forced the door leading to the shop where the greater part of the missing cloth lay. Having forced the door they wrench the grill from its bearings and so obtained entry. A large quantity of suitings had recently arrived from England and they had been unpacked practically only the day before. These were removed together with about thirty pairs of trousers belonging to suits in the making, and in fact at least six of the pieces for storing cloth were completely cleaned out. The men—for it seems to be the work of more than one—must have been in the shop for a very considerable time as the quantity of goods stolen would take a great deal of handling and it must have taken time to obtain entry in the first instance.

The Yellow Dragon.

The January number of the "Yellow Dragon" contains, as usual, much matter of interest not only to Queen's College boys but also to the general reader. Mr. E. Ralph is the victim of the "Imaginary Illustrated" Interview this month.

Claim for Compensation.

In the Chief Justice's Court today, a case of arbitration was commenced concerning the building of the refuge at Kowloon. The cause was referred to the Chief Justice, Sir F. Piggott, by the Governor in order that he might determine the amount of compensation to be paid to the owners of Kowloon Marine Lots Nos. 29, 30, and 31 under the Harbour Refuge Ordinance 1909. The Attorney General and Mr. Eldon Potter appeared for the government and Mr. Marcus Slade, K.C., for the owners.

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STUDENTS AND MASTERS.**A Valedictory Compliment.**

Messrs. Ralphs and Garrett of the Queen's College staff are going on leave, Mr. Garrett on March 2 and Mr. Ralphs on March 13. The following is a translation of a valedictory message to the two masters, which appears in the current issue of our vivacious little contemporary:

Als after hearing their cultured teaching for so long, now suddenly we hear a song of departure. How can we bear grief? Our masters, Messrs. Ralphs and Garrett are teachers in Queen's College, Hongkong. Mr. Ralphs has been here for over 10 years. He has most successful methods of leading and teaching students, his principles are based on virtue and truth. He proposed the establishment of prefects in the College, and this has been the means of making the students more careful in personal character and developing their good manners, so that they dare not now violate regulations in the slightest degree. He was connected with the establishment of the "Yellow Dragon" as the College magazine. All his articles have been of right tone and in accord with virtue, and have influenced the views and thoughts of the students so that they made progress in virtue.

In educational circles in Hongkong he has taken up many important and influential positions, e.g.—the Technical Institute. He was its first director and has made for its growth and establishment, and he is never tiring in his instruction from beginning to end. All his pupils have gladly and willingly obeyed him. Even the secret misgivings of their hearts have been reformed and they have become reassured in their search for learning.

Mr. Garrett is a graduate of Cambridge University, and of extensive learning. In the College though still young his methods have been if possible better than those of older men who have had years of experience. He has never wearied in his instruction, verbal and written. Under him the scholars have made constant and rapid progress in their English studies. He even condescended to urge physical education; he was both an earnest lover of sport and an energetic teacher, so that his scholars received great profit from him. As Editor of the "Yellow Dragon" his articles have always been very powerful for good. His poetry is sound yet full of imaginative and figurative allusions, able to move men's hearts.

Considering the two together, they have used all their learning to impart instruction to others, both in virtue and in athletics (like Confucius, by orderly method, skilfully leading them on). Though their methods were slightly different, their continual good example has largely affected the students, and many have become accomplished scholars; in this work they have been equally successful.

TELEGRAMS.

COLD FEBRUARY.

BLIZZARDS AT HOME.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Bombay, Feb. 8, 7.35 a.m.

This has been the coldest February in England since 1895. In some parts the temperature stands at zero and skating is universal. Blizzards in the north have blocked the railways and roads.—Routier.

KING AT HOME.

ARRIVAL AT SPITHEAD.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Bombay, Feb. 8, 7.35 a.m.

The Medina has arrived at Spithead. She was accompanied by a cruiser escort and the first division of the home fleet which met her in the channel in wintry weather with snow falling. The Prince of Wales, Dowager Queen Alexandra, and Prince Arthur of Connaught travelled to Portsmouth last evening to await the arrival of the Medina in the morning.—Routier.

ESPIONAGE CASE.

COURTS' JUDGMENT.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]

Bombay, Feb. 5, 7.35 a.m.

Routier's correspondent at Leipzig states that the judgment of the court declares that Stewart learned the address of an agent from the British Intelligence Department and considers it immaterial whether the accused or the agent succeeded in obtaining the information.

It holds that an attempt to obtain military secrets was proved, but regards the fact that Stewart was animated by patriotism as a mitigation of the circumstances.

NOTHING SECRET.

It is pointed out that Stewart was in Germany only from July 3 to Aug. 1. During that time he made trips from Bremen to Cuxhaven and to Heligoland and back. It is admitted that he endeavoured to obtain military information but nothing that was secret and only what was available to everybody.

POINTS OF DEFENCE.

It is alleged that the agent thrust upon him plans for which he had never asked and which he immediately destroyed. The agent then denounced him to the police. The shortness of his visit rendered serious espionage impossible, moreover the fleet was cruising round Norway at the time of his visit and he could not have obtained information as to its readiness for war.—Routier.

The Bishop of Down has given an interviewer strong reason for the opinion he has formed that the earnest, liberty-loving men of the Northern Province will never submit to an Irish Parliament, which they believe would really threaten their civil and religious liberties. Orangemen are drilling all over Ulster, though not with arms.

The following quantities of food were consumed by the Delhi Durbar camps.—Cattle, 2,000; sheep, 4,000; grain, 8,600,000 pounds; flour, 2,600,000 pounds; butter, 1,705,000 pounds; cheese, 13,500 pounds; jam, 18,400 pounds; biscuits, 63,000 pounds; tinned meat, 127,000 pounds; potatoes and onions, 728,000 pounds.

SPORT.

HOME FOOTBALL.

Results of Cup Ties.

The following are the results of the cup ties in the first round of the Association Cup:

Matches Finished.

Liverpool 1

Leiston 0

Aston Villa 6

Walsall 0

Derby County 3

Newcastle Utd. 0

Blackburn R. 4

Norwich City 1

Swindon 5

Sutton June 0

Northampton 1

Bristol City 0

Luton 2

Notts County 4

Southampton 0

Coventry City 2

Sunderland 3

Plymouth A. 1

Lincoln City 2

Stockport 0

West Bromwich 3

Tottenham H. 0

Preston N. End. 0

Manchester C. 1

Clapton Orient. 1

Everton 2

Notts Forest 0

Bradford 1

Bolton Wandrs. 1

Woolwich A. 0

Bury 2

Millwall 1

Darlington 2

Brighton and H.A. 1

Chelsea 1

Sheffield Utd. 0

Bristol Rovers 1

Portsmouth 2

Southport Cen. 0

Rosding 2

West Ham 2

Gainsborough T. 1

Leeds City 1

Glossop 0

Fulham 2

Burnley 1

Manchester U. 3

Huddersfield T. 1

Matches Drawn.

Croydon Com 2

Leicester Fosse 2

Crews Alex'n't 1

Blackpool 1

Oldham Ath 1

Hull City 1

Middlesboro 0

Sheffield Wed 0

Birmingham 0

Barrowley 0

Brentford 0

Crystal Palace 0

Queen's Park R. 0

Bradford City 0

Watford 0

Wolverhampton 0

FOOTBALL.

Saturday's Match.

The play on Saturday in the semi-final between the Hongkong Football Club and the Naval Yard as already reported in these columns resulted in a goalless draw. The result is a very accurate description of the game, for there is very little to judge between the teams on the display of Saturday. In one thing, however, the Yard are superior to their opponents, and that is in their forward line. Not that they are more brilliant, but that they are more consistent. The Hongkong forwards on the other hand are not of uniform quality and while the right-wing is a good combination, the left is considerably inferior, and many good openings were lost by the left-winger failing to take passes.

Brown, Hongkong's centre forward, played a good game, but had eyes for only the left wing with the result that Wilson and Hedley had not as much work to do as they were capable of.

Lyons and Pyne, the Yard's lefts, were particularly useful, the former, the winger, having a real turn of speed. Carline and at a value equal to that of the

watch, the visitor's backs, were in every way the equals of Hamilton and McCribbin, and to say that both defences were strong is to give an adequate reason for the result.

When the re-play comes off an equally strong tussle should be expected. The teams are evenly matched as they stand, but with a stronger left wing, Hongkong might be to notch the necessary point.

(Continued on page 8.)

COMPANY MEETING.

Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.

The twenty-third annual general meeting of the shareholders in the above company was held at noon to-day at the company's offices. There were present Messrs. T. F. Hough, in the chair, A. Rodger J. M. E. Machado, K. A. Carvalho, R. C. Edwards, M. S. Northcote, A. Fyfe, A. Alves and the Secretary Mr. A. Shelton Hooper.

The Chairman said:

Gentlemen, with your permission I will take the report and accounts as read. The auditor's certificate is as follows:

"I report that I have audited the above balance sheet with the books and vouchers of the company in Hongkong and that in my opinion such balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the company's affairs at the 31st December 1911, according to the best of my information and the explanations given me, and as shown by the books of the company, I have obtained all the information and explanations I have required.

(Sd.) R. Edwards, Auditor.

It is satisfactory to note that our net profit on the year's working is \$16,030.79 as against \$13,158.08 for that of 1910 thereby enabling us to declare a dividend of 2.75 per share, and in the absence of any unforeseen circumstances we hope to be able to maintain it in the future. The whole of your property is satisfactorily let and is in good repair.

If any shareholders wish for any further information I shall be pleased to give it to the best of my ability.

There being no questions the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. R. C. Edwards seconded and the motion was carried.

On the motion of Mr. M. S. Northcote, seconded by Mr. A. Fyfe, Messrs. T. F. Hough and A. Rodger were re-elected directors.

Mr. R. C. Edwards was re-appointed auditor on the proposition of Mr. T. F. Hough, seconded by Mr. A. Alves.

The Chairman:—Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow morning on application. Thank you, gentlemen.

RUN ON SHANGHAI BANKS.

Result of Rumours.

The following is from the "China Press" of Jan. 31:—

Unfounded rumours to the effect that certain Manchu princes have been withdrawing large sums of money from the foreign banks have caused a recurrence here in milder form of the panics of last October which resulted in the withdrawal of large amounts of Mexican dollars from the local foreign banks, in exchange for the dollar notes. The demand for Mexican dollars started on Monday and continued yesterday, the demand being confined to a few of the banks.

An investigation disclosed the fact that the Manchu princes have no money on deposit with the foreign banks here, nor is it believed that they have ever had. Except for the additional work it gives to the clerks in the banks, the demand for dollars is giving the foreign banks no embarrassment.

The stock of currency now in Shanghai is very large, amounting to more than 25 million dollars, and is sufficient to meet all demands.

In connection with the demand for Mexican dollars, it is interesting to note that in the past few months its competitor, the dragon dollar, has lost some of its value. Last October the dragon dollar was accepted at all money-changers



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PORTLAND CEMENT.

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In Bags of 250 lbs. net.

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General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th Aug. 1911. f68

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SOLE AGENTS.

OR TO

CH. WITZKE, SUB-AGENT.

Hongkong, December 7th, 1911. [17]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE:

"EMPEROR LINE."

Sailings from Hongkong and from St. John, N.B.

"E. of Japan" ... Sat., Feb. 4. "E. of Ireland" ... Fri., Mar. 22.
 "Monteagle" ... Mar. 3. "E. of Ireland" ... April 19.
 "E. of India" ... April 20. "E. of Ireland" ... May 17.

To Vancouver, B.C., call at Shanghai, Nagasaki (through the Inland Sea of Japan), Kobe, Yokohama and Victoria, B.C.

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For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to—
 D. W. Craddock, General Traffic Agent,
 Corner Pedder Street and Praya (Opposite Blake Pier). [62]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For Steamship On
 SHANGHAI WAISHING Tuesday, 6th Feb., D'light.
 SHANGHAI CHOYTSANG W'day, 7th Feb., Noon.
 SANDAKAN MAUSANG Tuesday, 6th Feb., Noon.
 MANILA YUENSANG Saturday, 10th Feb., 2 P.M.
 SHANGHAI, KOBE & KUTSANG Saturday, 10th Feb., Noon.
 SINGAPORE, PENANG & NAMSANG Tuesday, 13th Feb., Noon.
 MANILA LOONGSANG Saturday, 17th Feb., 2 P.M.

FOR THE MANILA CARNIVAL.—February 3rd to 10th, 1912.

A special reduced fare of \$5.00 Return Passengers will be issued for our sailings to Manila of the 20th or 27th January, available for 30 days from date issued. Passengers taking on these tickets are exempt from the Head Tax.

A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.
 Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtsze Ports, Chefoo, Tientsin, via Chinghawato.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD. Telephone No. 216. General Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1912. [18]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

PROJECTED HOMEWARD SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
 (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

For STEAMERS. DATE OF DEPARTURE.
 LONDON & ANTWERP ... PEMBROKESHIRE 6th February.
 LONDON & ANTWERP ... CARMARTHENSHIRE ... 23th February.
 LONDON & ANTWERP ... GLAMORGANSHIRE ... 15th March.

All steamers have excellent accommodation for a limited number of First Class Passengers. Cabins are staterooms and are fitted with electric light and fans. Attention is directed to the moderate fares charged.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1912. [49]

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD., HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

HONGKONG TO CANTON CANTON TO HONGKONG MONDAY, 5th FEBRUARY.

10.00 p.m. "KINSHAN." 6.00 p.m. "FATSHAN."

These steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mills, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to the Superior Saloon and Cabin. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.
 S.S. "SUI TAI" Tons 1651 S.S. "SUI AN" Tons 1651 HONGKONG TO MACAO.

Week days at 8 A.M. & 2 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf. Sunday at 9 A.M. & 12.30 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

MACAO TO HONGKONG.

Week days at 7.30 A.M. and 2 P.M. Sundays, at 7.30 A.M. and 5 P.M.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

SUNDAY, 11th FEBRUARY.

The Company's Steamship, "SUI AN"

will depart from the Company's WING LOK WHARF at 9 A.M. Departure from Macao at 5 P.M.

N. B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday, leaving at 7.30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 12.30 P.M., from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

This Steamer connects with the excursion steamer returning from Macao at 5 P.M.

FARES AS USUAL.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. HOI-SANG, 457 Tons, Departures from Macao to Canton on Mon., Wednes., & Fri., at 9 P.M. Departures from Canton to Macao, on Tues., Thurs., & Sat., at 4.30 P.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAIMAN," 683 Tons, and "NANNING," 683 Tons.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. Passengers can return to Hongkong or vice versa by the Company's direct steamers "LINTAN" and "SANUL." These vessels have superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity. Electric Fan in each Cabin.

Booking Office open daily (Sunday excepted) 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Further particulars may be obtained at the office of the Company.

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

HOTEL MANSION (FIRST FLOOR).

Opposite the Blake Pier. [50]

Shipping—Steamers

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THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
 SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Destinations	Steamers	Sailing Dates
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINAI, PEKING, COLOMBO, SINGAPORE & PORT SAID	TANGO MARU, Capt. K. Kawai, T. 8,000	WEDNESDAY, 14th Feb., Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOREA, YOKOHAMA, & TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	KAMO MARU, Capt. H. Sommer, T. 9,000	WEDNESDAY, 28th Feb., Daylight.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via MANILA, TURKEY, ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	SADO MARU, Capt. J. Richards, T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 13th Feb., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	INABA MARU, Capt. Tomiaga, T. 7,000	TUESDAY, 27th Feb., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Shioya, T. 5,000	FRIDAY, 10th Feb., at Noon.
NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, T. 6,000	FRIDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon.	
SHANGHAI & KOBE & KUTSANG	HIROSHIMA MARU, Capt. Hirose, T. 4,000	MONDAY, 12th Feb.
NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, T. 6,000	WEDNESDAY, 14th Feb., at Noon.	
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	BOMBAY MARU, Capt. Nomura, T. 5,000	WEDNESDAY, 14th Feb.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MISHIMA MARU, Capt. Morita, T. 9,000	THURSDAY, 15th Feb., 11 A.M.
	Cargo only.	

Fitted with new system of wireless telegraphy.

NEW LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN KOBE and CALCUTTA.

Regular fortnightly service from Kobe to Calcutta calling at Hongkong, Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

The next steamer to sail from Hongkong:

"JINSEN MARU" ... Tens 4,000... Capt. G. Ichibida... Feb. 10th.

1912 PASSENGER SEASON 1912

Steamer	Tons	Captain	From Hongkong
TANGO MARU	8,000	K. Kawai	Feb. 14th.
KAMO MARU	9,000	F. L. Sommer	Feb. 28th.
AKI MARU	7,000	K. Horita	Mar. 15th.
MISHIMA MARU	9,000	A. G. Morris	Mar. 27th.
EAGA MARU	7,000	M. Higino	April 10th.
ATSUTA MARU	9,000	Wm. Thompson	April 21st.
HITACHI MARU	7,000	T. Yamawaki	May 8th.
MIYASAKI MARU	9,000	T. Murai	May 22nd.

	FOR SEATTLE		
INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tomiaga	Feb. 27th.
TAMBA MARU	7,000	K. Noda	Mar. 26th.
SANUKI MARU	7,000	T. Irimawa	April 24th.
AWA MARU	7,000	T. Irimawa	April 28th.
INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tomiaga	May 21st.

From Hongkong direct to Nagasaki 4 days, to Kobe 5 days and to Yokohama 6 days.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, etc., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building, First Floor, Chater Road.

T. KUSUMOTO,

Manager. [5]

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR STEAMERS. STEAMERS. To Sail.

MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO & ZAMBOANGA	"TAMING" ...	5th Feb., 4 P.M.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"CHIHLI" ...	6th " 4 P.M.
HOIHOW & HALPHONG	"SUNGKEIANG" ...	8th " 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN" ...	8th " 4 P.M.
	"LUNAN" ...	10th " 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"THAN" ...	15th " 4 P.M.
S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANUL"		

AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. REDUCED FARES. Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

MANILA LINE.—Twin screw Steamers "Tao" and "Taming," saloon accommodation amidsthips; electric fans fitted; extra state-rooms on deck; air saloon accommodation of 12. "Kaiteng" is situated on deck, aft.

SHANGHAI LINE.—FAST SCHEDULE. TWIN SCREW STEAMERS (Amak, Okawa, Idem, Idem, Okawa)—with excellent passenger accommodation. Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms and Dining Saloon, leave Hongkong for Shanghai directly Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

N. B.—Passenger must embark before midnight on Saturday for the Sunday morning sailing. A Company's launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every Saturday night.

These steamers land passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transhipment at Woosung.

Reduced Fares:—Single \$45. Return \$75.

For Freight or Passage apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWINEY.

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COMMERCIAL.

Singapore Share Market.

Messrs. Fraser & Co.'s share circular, dated January 29, states:—

Industrials have again claimed a fair amount of attention at current rates. Rubbers have fluctuated a good deal, but the market closes with a firmer tendency and a keen demand for several of the cheaper local stocks.

Rubber.—The London enquiry for Dulls has eased off slightly, but a good many have changed hands locally, round about 10s. Transactions have taken place in Tebraus £3.7.8 to £3.5.0, Anglo-Javas 7/9, Batang Malahas 2/7, Hajoops 8/-, Malakoffs \$2.05, New Serendulis \$2.50, Alor Gajah \$1.50 and Glenlays \$1.50. Bukit Sembawang could be placed in good numbers slightly under quotations, and Pajamare wanted at \$10.25. Sandycrofts, \$15.25, Radelias \$10, Indragiris \$5.75, and Jimahs 30 cents. A few Pulau Bulang fully-paid shares are on offer at \$8, whilst the partly-paid are wanted at \$1.50 discount.

Mining.—Belats are firm at \$3.50, Pusing Balurus \$7.50 and Royal Johores \$1. Rahman Hydraulics are on offer at \$9, and Raubs keep dull at \$3 to \$3.25.

General.—Riley, Hargreaves Ordinary have buyers at par, Fraser and Neaves \$47, Cold Storages \$31, and Howarth Erskine Preferences \$92.50. A few Steamships are offering at \$270. Straits Trading \$50 Municipal, Riley, Hargreaves and Howarth Erskine Debentures could be placed at quotations.

Yarn Market.
Messrs. Polishwalla and Kotwall's report dated Feb. 2 is as follows:—

Our last circular was issued on the 10th ultimo, per s.s. Delta, since when our market has been practically at a standstill, the total business reported being about 900 bales only. In normal times, the near approach of the Chinese New Year generally bring about a virtual suspension of trade, but at the present time, owing to the apparent helplessness of the Kwongtung provincial authorities to protect the trade routes, matters are made much worse by the fact that the dealers are afraid to forward goods in the interior, where piracy and highway robbery are of daily occurrences. The only market to which at present goods are being forwarded is that of Yunnan.

It is the general belief among the Chinese dealers that if present conditions continue there will be no resumption of business even after the New Year holidays.

In the meantime, we close with about \$3 fall in price and lifeless market.

Total Sales.—900 bales.

Unsold Stocks.—15,000 bales.

Sold but undelivered in the godown and to arrive.—10,000 bales.

Arrivals.—The mail str. Acadia and extra stra. Nippon and Ceylon Maru from Bombay, and str. G. Apoor from Calcutta have brought in 3,688 bales for Hongkong and 5,933 bales for Shanghai. Shipments from Hongkong to coast ports, etc., amount to about 900 bales.

Local Mill.—No business has come under our notice.

Shanghai.—No change.

Japanese Yarn.—A reduction of 5% was accepted, and resulted in a sale of 200 bales No. 20 at \$144 to \$159.

Raw Cotton, Bengal.—No business.

Chinese.—A few bales were placed at previous quotations. Stock 650 (small) bales Chinese. Quotation—Bengal at \$28 to \$30 Chinese; at \$20 to \$23.

SHARE REPORT.

S-SHARES, R-RATE, B-BUTTER

BALANCE	R-RATE	B-BUTTER		
BANKS				
Hongkong & Shangha				
BANKING CORPORATION				
INTERIM DIVIDEND AND RATE				
RESERVE FUND				
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO. DIRECTORS				
COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS				
G. H. Madeline, Esq., Chairman E. Shallin, Esq., Deputy Chairman J. H. Armstrong, Esq. W. L. Patterson, Esq. Andrew Forbes, Esq. G. Friedman, Esq. G. R. Laurens, Esq.				
GENERAL MANAGER				
N. J. STABB				
MANAGER				
H. E. R. Hunter				
LONDON BANKERS				
LONDON COUNTY & WESTMINSTER BANK LIMITED				
HONORABLE INTEREST ALLOWED				
ON FIXED DEPOSITS				
For 3 months, 3% per cent. per annum. For 6 months, 3½ per cent. per annum. For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.				
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager				
HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK				
THE BUSINESS of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.				
INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% per cent. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 3% per cent. per annum on daily balances and accept Fixed Deposits at the following rates:				
For 12 months' a per cent. per annum. For 6 months' 3½ per cent. For 3 months' 3 per cent. For 1 month, 2½ per cent.				
GEO. HOGG, Manager				
No. 9, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 21st Feb. 1911.				
THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED				
HEAD OFFICE: 40, Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.				
BRANCHES: Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Kandy, Hongkong, Singapore, Penang, Kuala Lumpur, F.M.S., Rangoon, Colombo, Shanghai.				
GEO. HOGG, Manager				
CHINESE ... 20 cts. plus... \$0.97 ditto				
CHINSE ... 10 " " 37.20 "				
Hongkong, 20 " " 40.85 "				
Hongkong, 10 " " 37.01 "				

FIRMS

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For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.

HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... £1,200,000

RESERVE FUND ... £1,250,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS ... £1,200,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

On Fixed Deposits for 6 months, 3½ per cent.

On Fixed Deposits for 3 months, 3% per cent.

WM. DICKSON, Manager

Hongkong, 1st May, 1911.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager

Hongkong, 26th Sept. 1911.

F. C. MACDONALD, Acting Manager

Hongkong, 27th Sept. 1911.

Public Companies

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

CANTON-KOWLOON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETY-FIRST ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of this Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 16th February, 1912, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1911.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 13th February (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be effected.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SONS, General Managers.

Hongkong 1st Jan. 1912.

W. E. CLARKE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th Jan. 1912.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 17th day of February, 1912, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1911.

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SIEMMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 1st Feb. 1912.

H. P. WILLOW, Manager.

CANTON-KOWLOON-TIEN-THIN LINE.

THE Steamship

"ONSANG"

will sail on or about the 29th Feb., 1912.

Taking cargo for Tientsin, via Chin-Wang-Tso.

For Freight and Passage apply to

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING & MINING CO., LTD.

Queen's Buildings, DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 1st Feb. 1912. [128]

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Hongkong, 1st Feb. 1912. [107]

CHINESE ENGINEERING

and MINING COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-HONGKONG-TIEN-THIN LINE.

THE Steamship

"KARONGA"

on or about 6th March, 1912.

For Freight and further information apply to

SHEWAN, TOMEY & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd Jan. 1912. [108]

AMERICAN-ASiATIC S.S. CO.

FOR BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

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Hongkong, 23rd Jan. 1912. [108]

SPORT.

(Continued from page 5.)

V.R.C. Regatta.

On forty-eight occasions the members of the V.R.C. have held their regattas with varied success, and though the event on Saturday was not witnessed by as many as on other occasions, from a sporting point of view it was a successful one. The venue was Kowloon Bay, and in glorious sunshine with a nice breeze the numerous events were decided.

The programme opened with the inter club fours, and the Canton contingent secured the premier position in the placings by three lengths from the R.H.K. Yacht Club team. The successful crew was composed of R. C. Martin, R. Johnson, E. C. Herb, E. Imhoof (stroke) and E. Schroeder (cox). The time was 7 mins. 48 secs.

H. S. Jephson was the winner of the tub sculling race in 5 mins. 10 secs.

In the men-of-war gigs and whalers race, the Minotaur's cutter secured first place, with a team from the Newcastle second.

The race for the Ladies' purse (presented) was won by R. C. Witchell's team, consisting of J. M. Rosa Pereira, E. H. Farrell, H. C. Umlauf, F. L. de Rose (stroke), R. C. Witchell (cox).

The 87th G.O.R.G.A. captured the prize for garrison gige, only two teams entering.

A fine race was seen for the Chairman's challenge cup, four boats entering. R. C. Witchell's team, consisting of P. A. Yvanovich, R. C. Sayer, A. V. Barros, A. H. Carroll (stroke) and R. C. Witchell (cox), came in a good first.

Yacht Races.

The yacht races were followed with interest, and in the handicap class, which was a race for yachts belonging to the R.H.K. Yacht Club and the handicap and Gaele classes of the C.Y.C., the result, with corrected times, was as follows:—

Yacht Handicap. Corrected.

Time.

	h. m. s.
Asthore 21 mins.	3 47 5
Daisy 7 mins.	3 48 15
Gael 21 mins.	3 48 16
Ayesha 7 mins. 30 secs.	3 48 26
Colleen 4 mins.	3 49 35
Spoondrift 10 mins.	3 50 10
Boatrice 21 mins.	3 52 15
Corinne 7 mins. 30	3 52 35
Lily 7 mins.	3 53 07
Iris scr.	3 53 10
Dione scr.	3 53 25
Anna 21 mins.	3 54 17
Dorothea 4 mins.	3 55 0
Toinette 21 mins.	3 55 0

In the race for yachts of the one design class belonging to the R.H.K. Yacht Club and the Hayward Hays class of the C.Y.C. the result was:—

	h. m. s.
Ailes scr.	4 15 0
Sirius 3 m. 30 s.	4 15 37
Dawn 3 m. 30 s.	4 16 47
Joyce 3 m. 30 s.	4 18 33
Lizi 3 m. 30 s.	4 18 37
Alannah II scr.	4 19 6
Bonita II scr.	4 21 0
Halcyone 28	4 27 6
Nut 3 m. 30 s.	4 27 28

Miss Gordon distributed the prizes, and was presented with a beautiful bouquet by Mr. F. Lamert on behalf of the Club.

BILLIARDS.

Soldiers' Club Tournament.

The second round of this tournament commenced on Friday evening, 87 Company R.G.A. meeting the Royal Naval Dockyard Police. The first game was between Gunner Bancroft and Mr. Field. An interesting game ensued, which concluded with Mr. Field beating his opponent by the narrow margin of 8. His chief breaks were 13, 12 (twice), 29 and 11 (twice), while Bancroft's best efforts were 12, 15 and 13.

In the second game Gunner Slater met Mr. Dunlevy. Slater won by 23. Several double figure breaks were made, but none came up to the highest of the Tournament (28) by Mr. Field in the previous game. Score:—

R. G. A.

Gunner Bancroft 342

Gunner Slater 250

Dockyard Police.

Mr. Field 250

Mr. Dunlevy 227

FOR PHOTOGRAPHERS.

A CHANCE FOR EVERY AMATEUR.

Pictures Wanted of Anywhere or Anything by Anyone.

The proprietor of the "Hongkong Telegraph" has decided to continue during February his offer of two prizes for the best photographs submitted to the editor by amateur photographers during the month.

It has been decided to widen the scope of the competition. To restrict it largely to active life in the Colony excludes many amateurs who are not yet experienced in this class of work. As the whole purpose of the competition is to stimulate interest in photography in Hongkong it has been felt better to remove all restriction and to

Give Everyone a Chance.

Pictures of active life, then, pictures of still life, pictures recent or pictures taken months ago, pictures of life or scenes in Hongkong or pictures taken in any part of China, pictures taken at Home—any picture, general or local, may be sent along if it possesses interest at all. With the competition of so comprehensive a character there is a chance for any amateur photographer in Hongkong to win one of the prizes. The rules of competition appeared in the issues of Feb. 1 and 2.

THE PRIZEWINNERS.

The names and addresses of the prizewinners in the January competition are:—

First prize \$10—Capt. A. E. B. Wood, R.A.M.C., Peak Hotel.
Second Prize of \$5—Mr. O. Jensen, S.S. Chenau, c/o Butterfield & Swire.

We heartily congratulate these gentlemen alike on the excellence of their pictures and on winning the prizes. Capt. Wood's picture shows a detachment of the K.O.Y.L.I. at their Christmas dinner in Canton where they were quartered in the swimming bath. It had been emptied of course.

Mr. Jensen gains second prize with a charming beach scene.

Hints to Competitors.

Every amateur who possesses a camera has a chance of winning a prize here. You may not be able to secure a good print every time you try, but you must have taken good prints at times. Send these to this office. It matters nothing where they were taken, or where. If they are good pictures, send them along. Put a line or two on the back of each to say what is the subject. We have not seen every spot on the globe, and we do not know of anyone who has done so or who is likely to do so. And we like to know what the subject of every picture is.

The editor will be pleased to answer, in these columns, any questions put by intending competitors on points which may require amplification.

Photographic Competition Coupon.

Feb. 5, 1912.
I agree to enter the photographic competition on the express understanding that the editor's decision shall be final, and that he may, at his discretion, use the print sent herewith either in the "Hongkong Telegraph" or the "Weekly Telegraph."

Name.....

Address.....

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POST OFFICE

Only fully prepaid letters and post-cards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe.

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended:—Hsien, Szechuan, Hunan, Kueichow and Tengyueh.

MAILS DUE.

- American, Manchuria, 6th inst.
- American, Chioy Maru, 6th inst.
- Gen., Prinz Eitel Friedrich, 8th inst.
- American, Mongolia, 23rd inst.

MAILS CLOSE.

Sw.-low—Per Ha-mua, 6th Feb., 10 a.m.

Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per Pembroke-hire, 6th Feb., 10 a.m.

Bangkok—Per Wongko, 6th Feb., 10 a.m.

Haiphong (taking Mail for Pakhoi)—Per Haiphong, 6th Feb., 10 p.m.

Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, EUROPE, &c., VIA TUTICORIN (Late Letters 11.00 a.m.) Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)—Per Guban, 6th Feb., 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 6th Feb., 1.15 p.m.

Manila, Cebu and Iloilo—Per Tamang, 6th Feb., 8 p.m.

Amoy and Shanghai—Per Chihli, 6th Feb., 8 p.m.

Takao—Per Takao, 6th Feb., 5 p.m.

Hoikow and Haiphong (taking Mail for Pakhoi)—Per Chihli, 6th Feb., 8 p.m.

Shanghai—Per Choyang, 7th Feb., 10 a.m.

Australian Mail.

Timor, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle—Per Aldeham, 7th Feb., 11 a.m.

Chinese Mail.

Choyang, Bangkok, 7th Feb., 1.15 p.m.

Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per Nyanya, 7th Feb., 4 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Chochou-maru, 7th Feb., 5 p.m.

Hoikow and Haiphong (taking Mails for Pakhoi)—Per Sung-khang, 8th Feb., 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiphong, 8th Feb., 10 a.m.

Sandakan—Per Mau-sang, 8th Feb., 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 8th Feb., 1.15 p.m.

American Mail.

Timor, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle—Per Aldeham, 8th Feb., 11 a.m.

French Mail.

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